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THE GEORGE-ANNE

DAILY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2006

Symphony gets musical makeover

By Rachel McDaniel
 News editor

The Southern Georgia Symphony announced plans to expand the Georgia Southern symphonic program while retaining current programs like youth concerts and the annual Pops Concert to be held on the lawn of Sweetheart Circle on Sunday, April 29.

Executive Director Allen Henderson outlined the changes and revealed the upcoming shows for the 2007 season. "Great times are ahead for the symphony," he said. "We hope to develop the symphony into a two-tiered ensemble, with a professional and college level. We are planning for steady artistic and physical growth."

Music Director Cheung Chau was excited about the upcoming programs and changes to the Southern Georgia Symphony. "The shows will present different genres of music, but it is all great music," he said. "Music is very important in our lives. We hope and strive to continue

enlightening people by building an understanding of music in our society, and build an appreciation of different cultures to bring the region and the world together through the diverse language of music."

As a prelude to the 2007 performance season, the Southern Georgia Symphony will perform Mozart's final masterpiece, "Requiem," on Monday, April 3 at 8 p.m. at the PAC. Chau said some shows will have themes, like the Slavic Passions show in September, the Holiday Concert in November and the Pops Concert that will celebrate the music of Johnny Mercer.

The symphony at GSU has a long history of musical performances, from its beginnings in the 1960s, when it began as a small string ensemble.

"Since the 1960s, Statesboro and GSU have collaborated to provide symphonic music," said Mark Edwards, board chair of the symphony. "In fact, we are one of the smallest

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Rachel McDaniel/STAFF
 Music Director Cheung Chau and Executive Director Allen Henderson announce this year's schedule of events and discuss changes to the former Georgia Southern Symphony.

So far, so good in SGA elections, say candidates



By Luke Hearn
 Executive editor

As the Student Government elections come to a close tonight at 11:59, the two presidential candidates, Sean Bethune and Chris Ford, both feel things have run very smoothly and are looking forward to the elections ending on a good note.

"It's been a healthy competition so far," said Bethune, a senior political science major. "Civility is always a must, and the best has been brought out in both parties."

Ford agreed, saying both campaigns have done well, with neither of them allowing the process to get ugly.

"There's been no mudslinging or anything like that. It's good to see that we're both above that."

Both candidates have conducted large-scale campaigns since returning from spring break, decorating the campus with banners, T-shirts, car window decorations and groups on facebook.com.

"This has been a year of more innovative promotions," Ford, a senior marketing and graphic design major said. "We're getting the students to vote, and that's what matters."

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Sean Bethune



Chris Ford

Women's Awareness Month: self-defense



Anna Mitchum/STAFF

GSU student Kajsja Magnusson teaches a feminist self-defense class as part of Women's Awareness Month.

"Feminist self-defense is not only about kicks and punches," said Magnusson. "Most of it concerns mental and verbal defense, how you use your mind and voice in order to protect yourself." The workshop was held in Russell Union room 2041 last night.

University museum begins two new student programs

By Anthony Fierstos
 Staff writer

The Georgia Southern Museum, in addition to its normal schedule of events, has two new programs that were unveiled this semester.

The Student Organization Station (SOS) aims to market on-campus organizations while the Culture Cohesion aims to make the museum more student-friendly.

The SOS program makes it easier for campus organizations to promote themselves.

The museum has a professional display that can be customized to meet the needs (recruitment, fundraising, advertising, etc.) of each individual group.

The display station includes a cart, two tables with cloths, two custom posters, easels to display them and a free standing

pop-up banner.

Groups interested in borrowing the station may send in their own poster designs or receive assistance with design from the museum's graphic designer.

Poster and banner designs should be submitted two weeks in advance of the station check-out date.

There is only one kit, so to guarantee dates, submit requests as early as possible to: ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/museum/students.

The Culture Cohesion event series, put together by student and professional workers, aims to get students involved with what is going on at the museum.

"The purpose of this event series is to increase awareness among students about the museum and to help show students what the museum has to offer," said

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Georgia Southern Planetarium celebrates Sun-Earth Day today

By Casey Altman
 Assistant news editor

Today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Planetarium will host Sun-Earth Day celebrations. The event will be free and open to the public.

"We're going to celebrate the connection between the earth and the moon," said Becky Lowder the assistant director of the planetarium.

According to the NASA website on Sun-Earth Day, <http://earth-sunday.gov>, the event has been happening for the past six years. It is comprised of several events throughout the year with a celebration on or near the Spring Equinox. This year, because of a solar eclipse that happens just nine days after the equinox, the celebration was scheduled for March 29.

According to Lowder, the highlight of the event is a replay of the total solar eclipse that happened over Africa today at 5 a.m. It will be shown via webcast inside the planetarium. Throughout the day there will also be presentations

about eclipses, along with a live webcast of the sun.

Lowder said that from 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. the Planetarium will be used by a home school group, however there will be other activities going on outside.

It is predicted that today will be partially cloudy, but Lowder said that when the sun comes out, people will be able to use telescopes to see it up close. Several different types of telescopes will be on hand.

Lowder said there will also be sun-spotters. With these a person can see a reflected image of the sun on a piece of paper. There will be a Hydagen Alpha. She said that this telescope only allows the viewer to see specific wavelengths, making it possible to see the loops of gasses coming off the sun, from sunspot to sunspot.

There will also be smaller telescopes that show the sun in white light and spectrascopes that break light up into the different wavelengths.

Hands-on demonstrations

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Other upcoming events:

Friday, March 31
 7 p.m., 8 p.m.

"Astronomy and the Stars"

Planetarium intern Ronni Watson will share ancient stories about various constellations.

Saturday, April 8
 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

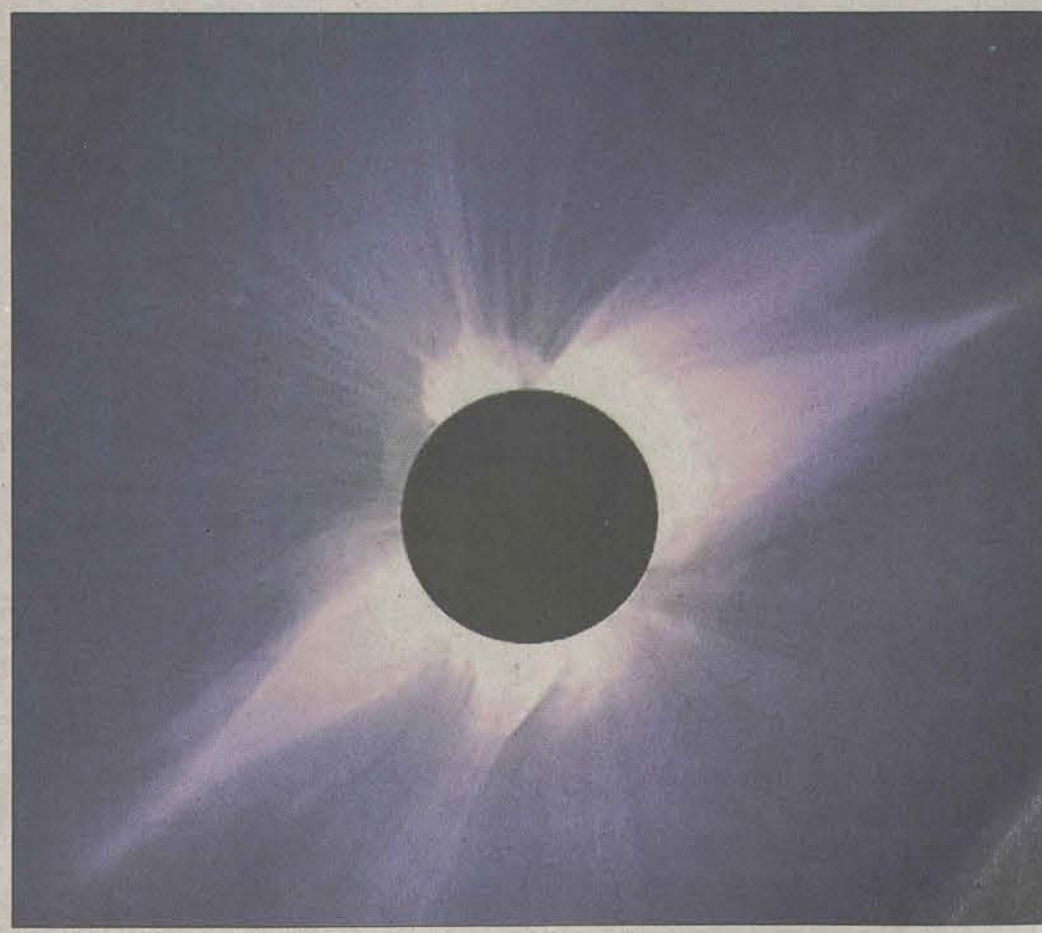
"Astronomy and Space"

Moonrocks from the Apollo Missions and meteorites will be on display with starshows every hour, NASA videos on missions, hands-on activities and displays for all ages like safe solar observing and telescopic observing after dark.

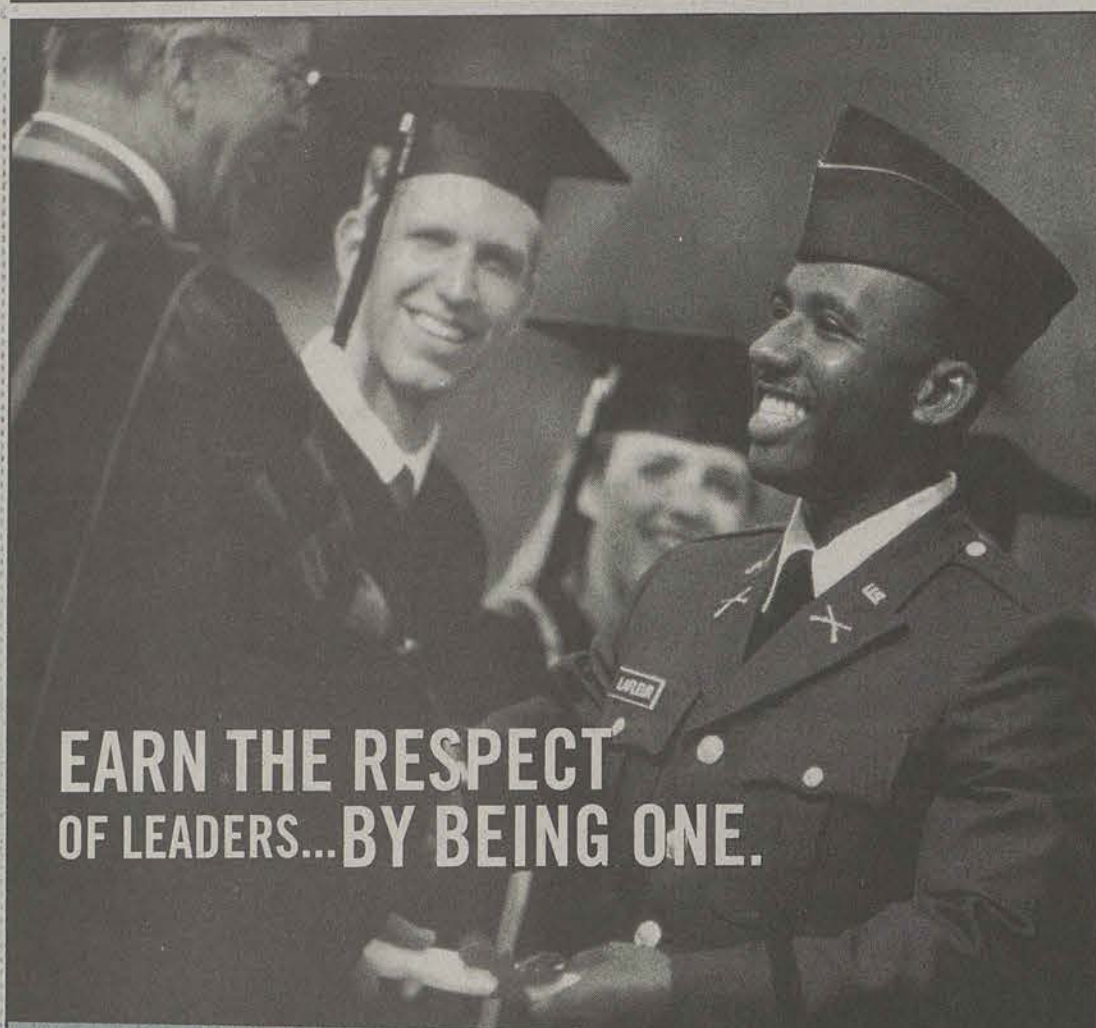
Friday April 14
 7 p.m., 8 p.m.

"The Influence of Astronomy Upon History"

Planetarium intern Jimmy Sheahan will present a look back in time at the way astrology has affected events and beliefs. There will be a star show of the current night sky and if skies are clear a telescopic viewing of Saturn following the presentation.



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Anthropological Society helps out around campus

By Hanadi Istambouli
Staff writer

If you want to understand different cultures, societal behavior and want to get your hands dirty in fieldwork, you should look into the Anthropological Society, established at Georgia Southern in 1982.

Faculty advisor and GSU professor Sue Moore described the purpose of the club as a way to be involved on campus while learning about anthropology. "The club promotes anthropological study on campus through a variety of different events, like helping with the Native American Festival on April 1," she said. "It is a really fun and beneficial way for students to be involved on campus."

Brian Coussens, president of the club, heads the Persico Lecture series, which sponsors different speakers presenting research or speeches on various areas in anthropology. "The Strathy Hall Cemetery Project" will be presented by Nick Hallas on Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in the Carroll Building room 2255.

Other events include field trips, club member movie night, and festivals or special events on campus. Currently, there are around 20 members who meet monthly.

Jessica Cochran, freshman, is satisfied with her membership in the club. "It's lots of fun, although I didn't go on the last field trip, I went on a voluntary excavation."

One anthropological field trip offered students the opportunity to visit the King Tut exhibit in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Another trip included excavation



Special Photo

Students, professors, as well as amateur and professional volunteers from the University of Texas Summer Field School excavate west of Austin, Tex.

on an anthropological site in South Carolina.

If you are interested in participation of these events, members agree the easiest way for students to get involved is to attend one of the monthly meetings. In the meetings, students will be informed of upcoming events, lectures, or trips.

According to Coussens, the club aspires to bring general anthropological awareness to students and continues to sponsor available speakers to campus.

"I hope to gain insight on fieldwork," said Valarie Carter about her involvement with the club. For more information about the club, go to the Native American Festival on Saturday, April 1, at the RAC.

'Sensing race'

Visiting professor speaks on how racial differences are constructed through all the senses

GSU News Service

Georgia Southern's lecture series, "Race and the American South," will end today, with a talk by Carolina Distinguished professor of history Mark M. Smith, whose topic will be "Sensing Race."

Smith's presentation will take place in Room 1004 of the College of Information Technology Building from 4 to 5 p.m., and it is free and open to the public.

Smith, who teaches at the University of South Carolina, is the author of "How Race is Made: Slavery, Segregation, and the Senses."

After years of research, he finds that white southerners used all of their senses, not just their eyes, to construct racial difference and define race. His provocative analysis, extending from the colonial period to the mid-twentieth century, shows how whites of all classes used the artificial binary of "black" and "white" to justify slavery and erect the political, legal and social

structure of segregation.

In his recent article, "Sense and Segregation," published Feb. 17, in "The Chronicle of Higher Education," Smith wrote "Taking seriously the sensory history of race and racism helps us appreciate just how unthinkingly race is made, racism is learned, and how the ideologies of race and racism have arisen historically."

Smith is also the author of "Mastered by the Clock: Time, Slavery, and Freedom in the American South," which earned the Organization of American Historians' 1997 Avery O. Craven Award and was named South Carolina Historical Society's Book of the Year.

Support for the series is provided by the Campus Life Enrichment Committee (CLEC), the department of sociology and anthropology, the department of history, the Center for Africana Studies, the GSU Museum, and the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. For additional information about the series, call 912-681-5443.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 29

10 a.m.
Sun-Earth Day in the Planetarium. Participants will learn more about the sun and view a replay of the total solar eclipse from Turkey via NASA-TV.

10 a.m.
Life Planning Conference
Russell Union

12 p.m.
Guest Speaker-Sociology
College of IT room 1004

4 p.m.
"Sensing Place" lecture
College of IT Room 1004.

6 p.m.
SGA meeting
Russell Union room 2047

8 p.m.
Prism Concert
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall

Thursday, March 30

12:30 p.m.
Persico Lecture Series will feature Nick Hallas, a senior anthropology major and VP of the Anthropological Society, who will present "The Strathy Hall Cemetery Project." Carroll Building 2255

POLICE BEAT

03-20-2006

- Stephan M. Sullivan Jr., 18, of Watson Hall, was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute; possession of drug-related objects; obstruction of an officer and possession of a false ID.
- A gas cap was taken from a vehicle in the Eagle Village parking lot.

03-22-2006

- Robert E. Cubbison, 18, of Eagle Village, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and possession of a false ID.
- Pierre Jeppssonbedziri, 18, of Eagle Village, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and possession of a false ID.
- John W. Oxford, 19, of Eagle Village, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and possession of a false ID.
- Andrew J. Ruszkowski, 18, of Eagle Village, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and possession of a false ID.

03-23-2006

- Cameron P. Shine, 19, of Lanier Drive, Statesboro, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and possession of a false ID.
- Joseph A. Tootle, 19, of Watson Hall, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

03-24-2006

- Golf clubs were taken from a vehicle in the Eagle Village parking lot.

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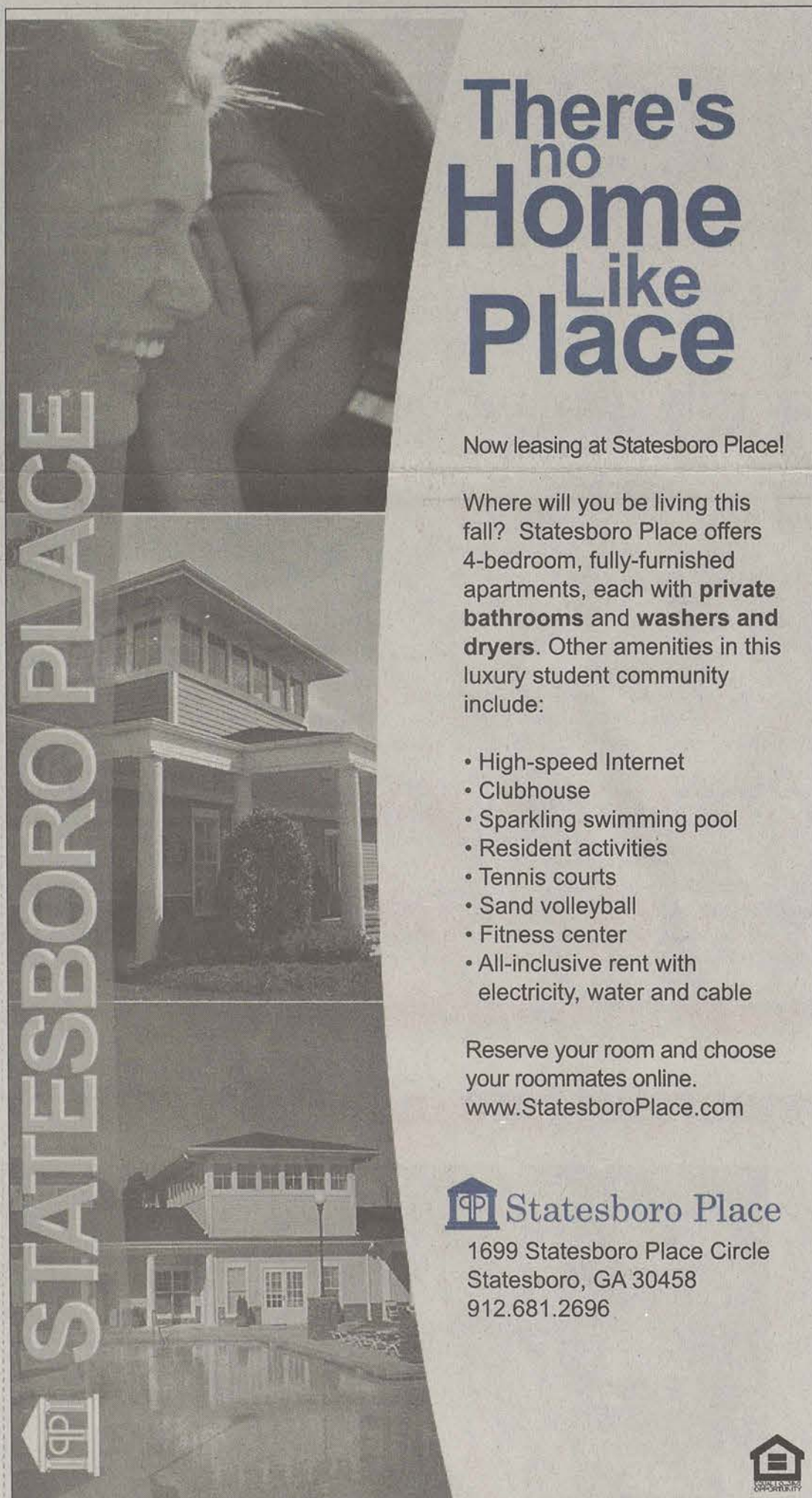
- Zachery Lyndon Dyer, 19, of Greenwood Avenue, Statesboro, was charged with DUI, failure to maintain lane and driving with a suspended license.
- Vincent A. Nicholson, 20, of Kennedy Hall, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol, public indecency and possession of a false ID.
- David Allen Plaster, 24, of St. Kennedy Lane, Buford, Ga., was charged with obstruction of an officer.

03-26-2006

- Maurice Fields, 21, of Evergreen Street, Brunswick, was charged with possession of marijuana.
- James Gerald Galvin Jr., 22, of Bland Avenue, Statesboro, was charged with DUI.

03-27-2006

- Jerry Anthony Brown, 38, of Sinkhole Road, Statesboro, was charged with driving with a suspended license.
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SGA

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As of Tuesday afternoon Ford said the number of ballots already cast have doubled the number cast in last year's election.

Less than five percent of the student body voted in the last SGA election.

Both men say their campaigns will focus on informing students about how SGA can help represent their views. The body serves in an advisory role. Its decisions, while not binding, are presented to the school's administration.

"Both campaigns have been very effective," said Bethune. "Students are being able to see the literature and see what the issues are and where each candidate stands."

Both Bethune and Ford are running with a slate of candidates they'd like to sit on the association's executive board. Ford is running as "The Ford Ticket" and Bethune's is called "The All American Team."

Each candidate acknowledges

that he may not be elected along with the other executive officers on their tickets. Both vow, however, to continue working hard for the students of Georgia Southern, regardless of which other candidates are elected.

"It's important to keep a clean campaign and not to burn a bridge," Bethune said. "The people you may burn bridges with may be those you have to work with throughout the year. At the end of the day, the success of SGA depends on leadership of the most qualified candidates."

Ford had similar thoughts.

"I would love to have my executive board with me because I think I've chosen the best people," he said. "But I hope everyone would be mature enough to work together of the tickets are mixed. If we're all running for the right reasons, there should be no problems."

SGA elections end tonight at 11:59. Students can vote via their WINGS account.

Election results will be announced Thursday morning and can be seen on The George-Anne's Web site at www.stp.georgiasouthern.edu.

Museum

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Public Relations Intern Jana Groves.

The series takes place at the museum on Wednesday nights from 8-10 p.m. and began last Wednesday with a poetry reading.

On March 29, Joshua Jamison and Josh Mikulecky will play guitar and sing.

The April 5 event will be co-hosted by Eagle Entertainment and will likely feature poetry and singing.

The final event, which will take place April 12, will feature singers as well. Starbucks coffee, hot chocolate

and tea will be available for \$1.

Collaboration has been important to both of these programs.

The SOS stations were thought up by professional and student workers at the museum and paid for by its state supported operations budget.

For the Culture Cohesion series, "The museum has been working in conjunction with 91.9 the Buzz, Eagle Entertainment, and the University Store," said Groves.

For more information, check the museum's web site at <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/museum/students/> or contact Jana Groves at jana_c_groves@georgiasouthern.edu.

Music

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communities in the U.S. to support a symphony. But now, it's time to move to the next level."

People from all over Georgia can enjoy the music of the Southern Georgia Symphony, and many

people have already been affected by performances.

Sandra Nettles, interim dean of graduate studies, talked about the importance of symphony in her life. "There's nothing that compares to a live symphonic performance," said Nettles. "I learned to love live performances as a child in Atlanta and I've been hooked every since."

Sun

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about the causes of sunspots will also be given.

There will be giveaways of candy, bookmarks, posters and sky maps.

Lowder said that the number of people that attend planetarium events varies. She said that sometimes there

may only be 20 people and other times there is a line down the sidewalk of students that want to see the show. "Sometimes we have to do several shows a night," she said.

For more information on events and programs contact the planetarium at www.cost.georgiasouthern.edu/planetarium.

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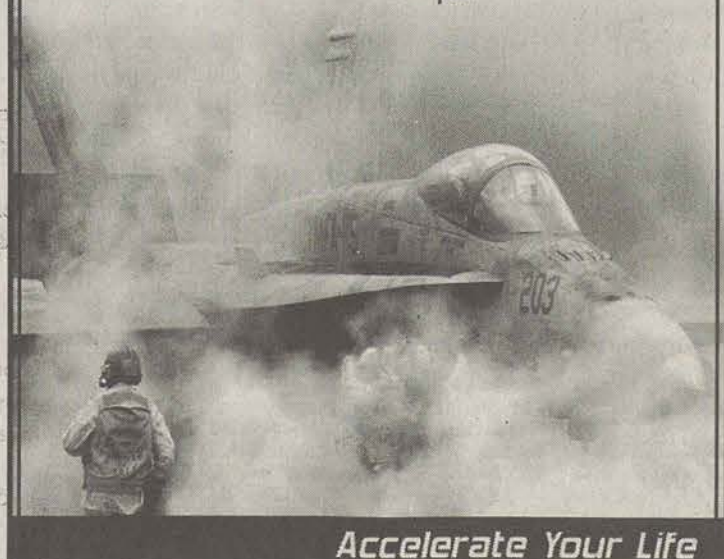
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OUR VIEW

Your vote counts in SGA elections

AT ISSUE: SGA elections end tonight, and your vote is needed

Today is the last day to vote in the Student Government elections. At 11:59 tonight, your opportunity to choose the next leader of our student government will have passed. It's our hopes that, if you haven't already, you take advantage of the chance to choose the next leaders of SGA.

For the past few years, there has been little competition in the SGA elections. In last year's election the entire executive board ran unopposed. The year before that there was one challenger to an executive board candidate — a person opposing the presidential candidate — but he pretty much

only entered the race to oppose the idea of big tickets sweeping elections. That guy lost.

We here at The George-Anne have already given you our pick for president. Other organizations have also told you who they like. But when it comes down to it, it really doesn't matter what we or anyone else says: it's about who you think will best serve the students of Georgia Southern and who you think will stand up and make things happen on this campus.

There's a school of thought out there that says your vote doesn't matter. They say when you cast

a vote for the President of the U.S. or your state's senator that there are too many votes for your individual dimpled chad to matter.

Regardless of whether or not those anti-vote people are right or not in respect to most elections, they're dead wrong when it comes to SGA elections.

Last year, less than five percent of students voted in the SGA elections. Typically, 10 to 15 percent of the student body signs in to their WINGS accounts to vote. Those are some pretty low numbers. Considering these facts, the chances

of your vote mattering are very high. Millions of people aren't voting in these elections. We're talking maybe 1,000, give or take a few hundred, which makes the chances of your vote actually counting much more realistic.

We want the SGA elections to be a success just as much as the next guy. And the only way it can be successful is through your participation.

Your votes are a way to show who you want to lead GSU, who you think has what it takes to be the voice of the students in the coming year. Who will you choose? Somebody, we hope.

Eric Swanson COLUMNIST

It's sometimes better to be different

Friends and family of GSU: Today, I want us to stop and think if we are really the people that we want to be. If you were to die today, would you be the person you want to be? Would you change anything to feel like you've done the right thing?

Today is your chance to make it that way. I never thought so much racism and bigotry could exist until the ground shook below us after September 11, 2001. Our society has since become so obsessed with blaming all our problems on others, we have ignored why our problems truly exist.

I now feel hurt by the very people whom I once considered rational people. Why? Why are we degrading Middle Easterners even more and believe that they hate us because they are backwards? They aren't backwards my friends, they are different, culturally, and just as afraid of us as we are of them. Just as we are different culturally than any other country, we have no right to look down upon them and their way of life just because ours is "wealthier."

Wealth doesn't matter.

We have become so obsessed with ourselves that now we are afraid of everyone else's culture. We are afraid that now people are going to kill us because we are "better."

We aren't better, we aren't worse, we are different. Most of you reading this have been extremely privileged through your lives to be given the ability to become educated on the way things work. So why are we now insisting on destroying other ways of life? Why are we insisting that other countries need to be "liberated" of dictators and of their leaders because they are not like us? These people have been living this way for centuries without being bombed and completely destroyed because someone thought that their way of life was "backwards."

Maybe it is our own way of life that is backwards. Perhaps it is us who are tricking ourselves into believing that the world needs television and elected corrupted officials.

A common thought on suicide bombers is that they are dying to meet the virgins that are awaiting them when they reach their form of an afterlife.

I have not heard one argument stating that these suicide bombers believe that the way to keep their culture and their people from turning to our way of life is through blowing themselves up in American founded buildings and businesses. They may be doing this because they fear that our way of life is going to end up destroying the culture which they have preserved for more than the 220 years that our country has existed.

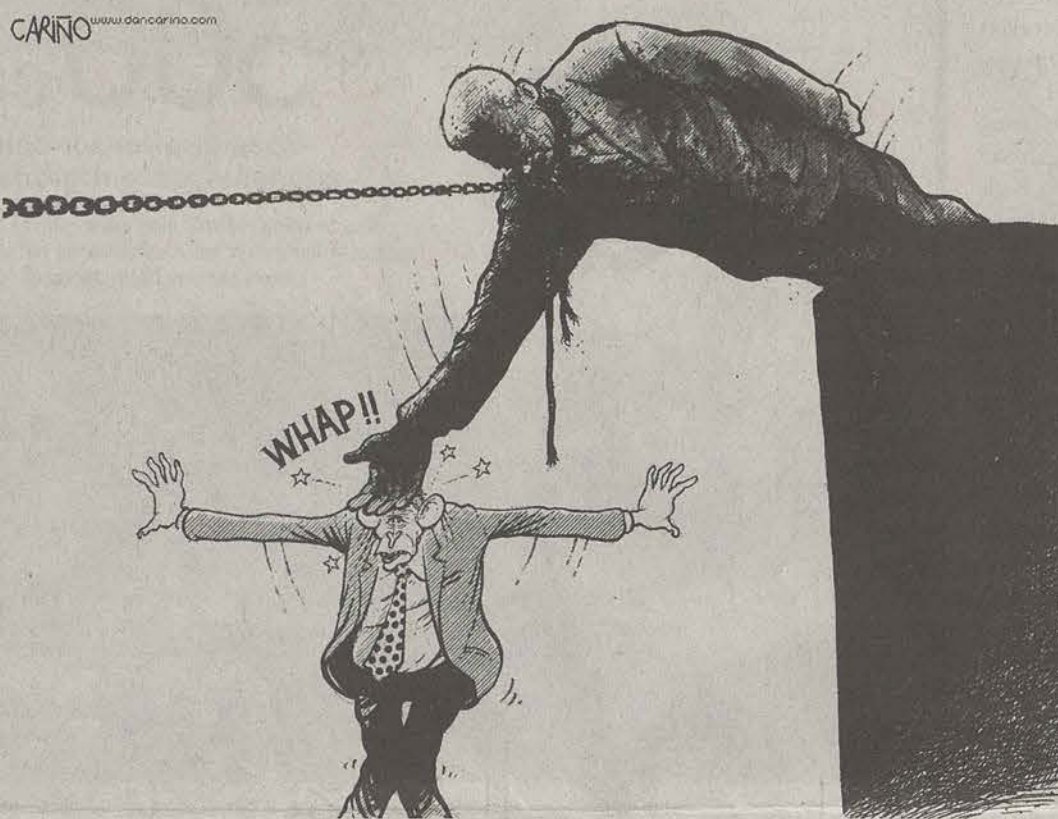
Don't get me wrong, the killing of any living thing for a belief or an idea is not justified, because innocents are caught in the crossfire, and they don't deserve to die or be judged.

Let's be more sympathetic towards one another and respect people and how we have developed as families and friends, and not how other people act differently. Let people be people, because this is all we are. We all live and we all die, and if you were to die today, could you say that you were the person you wanted to be? Could you say that you didn't hurt another person because you thought you were better?

Of course we have thoughts that we are good people, but killing and destroying another's way of life is just as bad as using genocide in order to further the expansion of a "superior" race.

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Shaheen Solomon: YOUR TURN

Debate proves candidates need to address issues

After attending the SGA presidential candidacy debate last Thursday night I was embarrassed and appalled at the lack of preparedness. Maybe it was just nerves, but I was disturbed and sickened by the jabs and things that were said.

A presidential debate is supposed to be a regulated discussion of a proposition between two matched sides. I don't think that was the case. I don't think that either of the candidates was well prepared from the opening speeches to the questions that were asked by the panel and the audience.

When speaking, they would alter their voice patterns to the point that they were understandable. Sentences were chopped off and topics were avoided all too often. It was just pitiful, from the constant flag waving, the steady snickers and the persistent jabs that were thrown.

I do, however, commend Bethune for his professionalism. The way he handled the ridicules and jabs were praiseworthy.

However, there were other areas that I wished the presidential candidates had expanded more upon: diversity on campus, parking situations, relationships with staff and students, and community involvement.

Georgia Southern is in dire need of leadership within the student body. We don't need an SGA president who is going to chastise the administration and destroy the relationship that is already established. We need a president who will work for the students, one that will truly be a liaison between the student body and GSU administration.

If you didn't attend the charades that were displayed last Thursday night then don't fret: you missed nothing. Ask around about the candidates, meet them for yourself and you be the judge of who you want to represent you come August 2006. The students have the right to choose the best men and women for the job. Students, please let your voice be heard.

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Sorden Davis: YOUR TURN

Actually, his words aren't as clear as they seem

I find it interesting that The George-Anne supports Chris Ford for president and then goes on to say that "we hope he will follow the firm examples of those who've come before him" ("Clear words, clear choice in SGA presidential race," March 23, 2006). The oxymoron between the two is greater than that of non-dairy creamer. The Ford ticket finds its foundation on opposition to the current SGA administration.

Chris Ford possesses infantile like qualities; when things don't go his way, he is angry and spiteful, as seen from the recent debate.

Perhaps that is what students want, but I can assure you that it won't get anywhere with the university's administration. The administration appreciates honesty and sincerity, two things Chris Ford and his administration lack.

There as one thing that the last article got right, the choice is clear. Sean Bethune has been an advocate for

the students since he came to Georgia Southern.

Perhaps the writers failed to do a little research before saying that he is not the embodiment of the average student. Sean proved that he can work, changing the campus image of the organization under his leadership.

The All-American Team is an epitome of moral character and honesty. When they campaign the All-American Team tells students what they can do for them, unlike the Ford ticket who only tells students that the All-American Team is the, "loser ticket." Perhaps you want the yelling, screaming, and temper tantrum inclined student for a leader, but as for me, I will vote for the proactive, rational thinking leader who stands strong and does not run from a challenge.

Of these respective collections of talent I know that The All-American Team is more than well-equipped to fulfill the task; they are the best candidates.

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Jason Reid GUEST COLUMNIST

So, what's with the double standard?

Debra Lafave. Recognize the name? Of course you do. She's the 25-year-old school teacher who admittedly had sex with one of her 14-year-old students on more than one occasion.

As you are reading this, she is not serving any jail time.

Is it just me, or does that sound ridiculous? Not upset yet? She had sex with the young boy in two different Florida counties. In Hillsborough County the judge agreed to a plea deal allowing Debra to plead guilty to two counts of lewd and lascivious battery and serve three years of house arrest and seven years of probation.

In Marion County the judge rejected the plea deal, saying, "Quite frankly, if the allegations against the defendant are true, the agreed-upon sentence shocks the conscience of this court."

So what did the prosecutors in that county do? They dropped all charges. The assistant state attorney is quoted as saying, "The court may be willing to risk the well-being of the victims in this case in order to force it to trial. I am not."

I'm all for victims' rights, but do you mean to tell me that someone who spent a great deal of time in school to become a legal representative could not think of any other ideas to protect the victim and punish the offender?

When Mary Kay Letourneau first appeared before the court to answer for her crimes, she was let off with a slap on the wrist. Not too long after that she was found in a parked car with the same student. Be careful of history repeating itself.

I really can't understand what the prosecutors were thinking when they handled this case.

Is this person less harmful because she is a woman? Do her looks have anything to do with it? Do they think that she won't do it again?

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In a press conference Lafave said she did not believe there was a double standard when it came to men and women in this situation. She even urged the reporters to, "...check the statistics." Tell that to Steven Fulks of Murfreesboro, Tenn., who was sentenced to 45 years in prison for having sex with a 16-year-old student.

So what have we learned? Female teacher with a male student, "It's OK, it's every teenage boy's fantasy." Male teacher with female student, "Get the shotgun."

I really want to believe in our legal system, but this proves that it's flawed. I suppose if you are fairly attractive, come from a 'good' family, and have enough money to hire a fancy attorney, you probably disagree with me. But of course this is just my opinion, so go and research for yourself. As Lafave would say, "I think we should all check the statistics."

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Mystic Arts Horoscope

Today's Birthday (03-29-06). You're very energetic this year, and highly motivated. Your odds of success are very high, too, with an experienced companion. Don't hold back, but do the homework and take safety precautions.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 9 - You're itchy to begin, and well you should be. Your instincts are honed and keen. The door that rarely opens is open now. Don't hesitate.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 5 - You're under more pressure in some ways. In others, the pressure is easing. You know what to do. All you have to do is to do it.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is an 8 - You're anxious to get going, but don't dash off all by yourself. You don't want to outrun your friends and protectors.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 5 - A stern taskmaster needs you to accomplish big objectives. Don't be hurt by a sharp

tone of voice. Focus on solving the problem.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 9 - Do you have any money left after buying the basics? If so, go ahead and play with it. Your luck's much better now.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 5 - Resources are more abundant than expected. Make the change that everybody can live with happily.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is an 8 - An absolutely brilliant performance by somebody else wins applause. Join in; don't be jealous.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 5 - You're entering another very busy two-day phase. Clear everything else off your schedule. Focus on work until Friday.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 9 - Giving affection is a surefire way to get affection back. Don't want to make a commitment? Ridiculous. Don't even worry about it.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

- Today is a 5 - Dig around in your own garage, closets, attic and/or basement. You don't have to leave home to find the perfect thing...you've got it, somewhere.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

- Today is an 8 - You're on the right track now. Do the research yourself. This is not a project you can delegate.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 5 - Continue to stick to your schedule. Follow the rules and the routine. Gather up the rewards for your efforts, which will be abundant.

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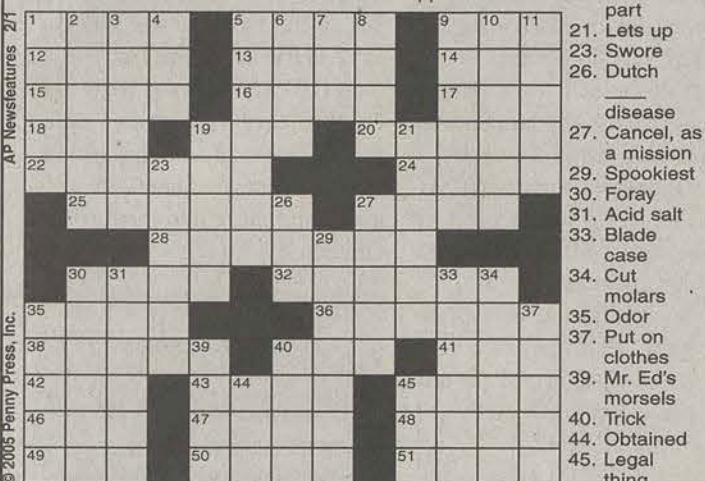
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1. Cloud juice
5. Young deer
9. Ballet step
12. Laborer of yore
13. Hodgepodge
14. Quick to learn
15. Cathedral
16. Camera eye
17. Life story, briefly
18. Bond
19. Strive in contention
20. More healthy
22. Locust tree
24. "Uncle _____" (Candy film)
25. Smear
27. "_____ Time, Next Year"

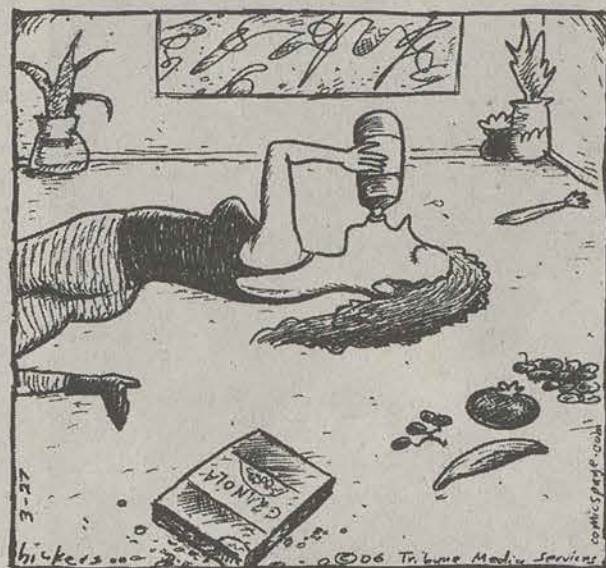
DOWN
28. Vote into office again
30. Fair
32. Least
35. Fillet of _____
36. Hurried
38. Faith
40. Umbrella part
41. Poet's always
42. Athens vowel
43. Fever
45. Fixed amount
46. Louse egg
47. Mix, as a salad
48. Old English letters
49. _____ off (make angry)
50. Editor's mark
51. "_____ Always a Woman"

Yesterday's Solution

1. Lariat
2. Savory jellies
3. Trouser joint
4. Barbara Bush, _____ Pierce
5. Plant leaves, collectively
6. Aweather's opposite
7. Gain victory
8. Snack
9. Naive ideas
10. Per
11. Baby deliverer
19. Audio's counterpart
21. Lets up
23. Swore
26. Dutch
disease
Cancel, as a mission
29. Spookiest
30. Foray
31. Acid salt
33. Blade case
34. Cut molars
35. Odor
37. Put on clothes
39. Mr. Ed's morsels
40. Trick
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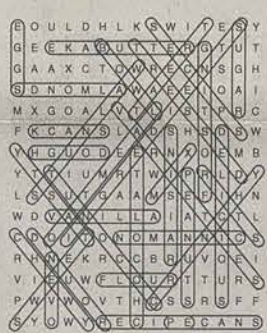


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Indiana to hire Oklahoma's Sampson as basketball coach

Indiana will hire Kelvin Sampson as its next basketball coach, taking him from an Oklahoma team under the cloud of a recruiting investigation to lead one of the most prestigious programs in the country.

Braves beat Astros as spring training starts to wind down

Marcus Giles doubled twice and walked before calling it a day after just 3 1/2 innings, and Brian Jordan had a two-run double Tuesday in the Atlanta Braves' 5-4 victory over the Houston Astros. The Braves had three doubles in a four-run first inning against Wandy Rodriguez, the Astros' fourth starter. Although he settled down with four consecutive scoreless innings, Rodriguez lost for the fourth time in five spring appearances. Regular season play begins Monday.

Bert Noble

THE FINAL TIMEOUT

Cinderella's ball not over

Unless you've been under a rock, playing too many video games, or studying way too much the last two days, you know that George Mason clinched a spot in the Final Four by beating UConn 86-84 Sunday night.

All I can say to this is, well, I don't really know what because something like this has never happened in my lifetime.

A number 11 seed making the Final Four? That is like the Atlanta Hawks winning an NBA title, or Mike Vick throwing for 300 yards.

If you watched the game, the entire crowd was behind George Mason. I know Coach Jim Calhoun of Connecticut was not pleased that his team had to play in front of a rowdy crowd of GMU supporters, but come on, how could UConn lose to George Mason?

The Huskies of Connecticut have all the talent, height, hype, awards, seed and play in the right conference. Mason? Well, they have, umm...they have something, but I'm not quite sure what it is yet.

So who cares? The Patriots will likely get blown out in the Final Four by a young Florida team just like the Pats were supposed to get blown out by Michigan State, UNC and UConn earlier in the tournament.

We might as well not watch. It will be that bad. Florida: 104-George Mason: 4 (and I am obviously being nice by giving George Mason four, as they are so obviously overmatched).

The sad thing, though, is that we are all pulling for Mason, unless you are one of the 26 people in America who has LSU, UF, or UCLA winning it all (and therefore in prime position to take your NCAA bracket pool; to think your friends laughed at you when you picked an all-SEC final game).

I know I will be watching Saturday when George Mason takes the floor. I won't be able to take my eyes off the TV. All I want for Christmas is a Cinderella story bigger than the 2004 Red Sox.

Maybe it is just destiny if Mason wins it all. Because it certainly is not the program's great NCAA Tournament history (0-3 all time going into this year) or their massive size and overwhelming talent. It goes without saying, but George Mason was shorter than Connecticut at every starting position, and they have no McDonald's All-Americans.

But if there ever was a time when George Mason could win it all, it would be this year.

Not only do they have momentum, but Mason will most likely be the fan favorite in Indianapolis this weekend.

George Mason is America's darling, with every person who has ever been labeled an underdog or been the last kid picked for a game during recess rooting for them.

LSU cannot shoot three-pointers. UCLA is weak inside and streaky. Florida is the most complete team left, but they have proven they are not the juggernaut that Connecticut was thought to be.

Who am I predicting to win the title? I'll save that for Thursday, along with picks from a few others around the office.

But for the time being, Cinderella can enjoy her time in the limelight, and maybe, just maybe, the ball will not end until Monday night...with a net-cutting ceremony.

Rugby shuts out Duke, heads to semis

The Lady Eagles travel to South Carolina this Saturday to take on East Carolina



Chase Lanier/STAFF

Lady Eagle Sheridan Bushey runs toward the goal line during the Eagles' victory over Duke University this past Saturday. The team travels to play East Carolina this Saturday in the semi-finals of the USA Rugby South Championships.

By Will Adams
Staff writer

The Georgia Southern Lady Eagles dominated Duke in the quarterfinals of the USA Rugby South Championships last Saturday at the RAC, blanking the Lady Blue Devils with a score of 10-0 in their first ever playoff appearance.

Head Coach Nigel Davies gives credit to Prop Rachel "Mouth" Christensen for her effort in the win. "She tackled very well and was excellent in support; she scored a try and had huge runs, very dominate."

"Our scrum half Jenny Powers also scored a try and tackled well and the inside center Jen Cruz did an outstanding job supporting."

Neither team had scored at halftime, and GSU went 0-2 on conversion attempts.

Davies was proud of captain Nikki Josey, who "played a very smart game, which helped the rest of the team to stay highly motivated and focused out there."

"Duke was a much bigger team, very physical, their number eight was outstanding," said Davies.

"Every time they wanted to do something or when they were about to score, the girls hustled a lot and kept fighting. I'm proud of the way we played," said Davies.

Jenny Powers, Nikki Josey and Jessica Hand have all become

certified USA Rugby coaches and were very significant in forming the type of competitive club they want the students to be proud of here at GSU.

"We are still an up-and-coming program down here, we recruited heavily last year."

"Hopefully we can compete with some of the bigger schools and their programs and keep it going for next year," said Coach Davies.

The Lady Eagles will face an East Carolina team that knocked out SoCon foe Furman, this Saturday at 12:30 PM in Furman, SC.

If GSU advances and beats East Carolina, they will play the winner of the University of Georgia vs. Middle Tennessee State University match and move into the finals in Orlando.

Did you know?

Women's rugby is on the NCAA's very short list of sports to be added to college athletics.

The USA national team is currently considered one of the top six or seven teams in the world and won the inaugural World Cup and finished second twice.

Rugby is an unique sport where players are able to participate in all facets of the game and utilize individual skills and talents to benefit the team as a whole. People of all shapes and sizes can contribute effectively to the team.

Nesbitt named an 'All-American'

GSU News Service

Georgia Southern senior Elton Nesbitt was named to the Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American Men's Basketball team, announced Monday.

Nesbitt, a 5-foot-9 guard, averaged 21.7 points and 3.5 rebounds per game to help the Eagles to a 20-10 record and the school's first postseason appearance in 14 years. Nesbitt, who was named SoCon Player of the

Year, became the first player in school history to record 600 points in two seasons, and became just the seventh Eagle to amass 1,500 career points in his three years at GSU.

The Deerfield Beach, Fla. native shot 42.4 percent from the floor including 39.0 percent from 3-point range, hitting a record setting 103 treys on the year. Nesbitt finished his career with 1,731 points to rank fifth among all GSU scorers.

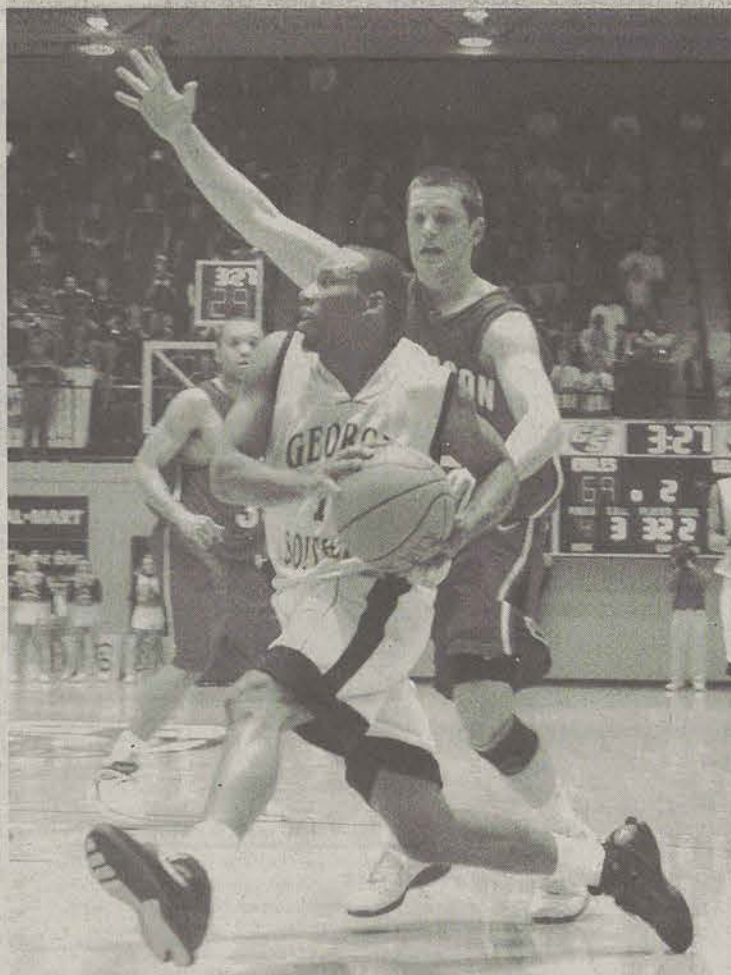
AP All-Americans

FIRST TEAM: J.J. Redick, Duke; Sheldon Williams, Duke; Randy Roy, Villanova; Brandon Roy, Washington; Adam Morrison, Gonzaga.

SECOND TEAM: Dee Brown, Illinois; Rodney Carney, Memphis; Rudy Gay, Connecticut; P.J. Tucker, Texas; Leon Powell, California.

THIRD TEAM: Craig Smith, Boston College; Glen Davis, LSU; Tyler Hansbrough, UNC; Nick Fazekas, Nevada; Allen Ray, Villanova.

HONORABLE MENTION: Arron Afflalo, UCLA; Maurice Ager, Michigan State; LaMarcus Aldridge, Texas; Jose Juan Barea, Northeastern; J.P. Batista, Gonzaga; Jahsha Blunt, Delaware State; Ronnie Brewer, Arkansas; Keydren Clark, Saint Peter's; Mardy Collins, Temple; Paul Davis, Michigan State; Terrance Dials, Ohio State; Quincy Douby, Rutgers; Jordan Farmar, UCLA; Mike Gansey, West Virginia; Daniel Gibson, Texas; Caleb Green, Oral Roberts; DeAndre Haynes, Kent State; Brandon Heath, San Diego State; Jeff Horner, Iowa; Ibrahim Jaaber, Pennsylvania; Jarrious Jackson, Texas Tech; Marco Killingsworth, Indiana; Carl Krauser, Pittsburgh; Jack Leasure, Coastal Carolina; Charles Lee, Bucknell; Chris Lofton, Tennessee; Christian Maraker, Pacific; Gerry McNamara, Syracuse; J. Robert Merritt, Samford; Paul Miller, Wichita State; Paul Millsap, Louisiana Tech; Elton Nesbitt, Georgia Southern; Joakim Noah, Florida; Kevin Pittsnogle, West Virginia; Chris Quinn, Notre Dame; Brion Rush, Grambling State; Blake Schillb, Loyola of Chicago; Steven Smith, La Salle; Tim Smith, East Tennessee State; Ronald Steele, Alabama; Rodney Stuckey, Eastern Washington; Chad Timberlake, Fairleigh Dickinson; Darius Washington, Memphis; Marcus Williams, Connecticut; Jamar Wilson, Albany, N.Y.; Anthony Winchester, Western Kentucky; Ricky Woods, Southeastern Louisiana.



Jared Siri/STAFF

Elton Nesbitt drives the lane during the Eagles' game against Davidson at the end of the season; he was named an Honorable Mention All-American Monday.

New football coach hired

GSU News Service

John Shingler recently joined the Georgia Southern football coaching staff. He will work as a defensive assistant under head coach Brian VanGorder.

Last year, Shingler worked as a defensive assistant/video coordinator at Middle Tennessee State, along side current GSU assistants Darin Hinshaw and Scott Fountain. Working specifically with the safeties, Shingler was responsible for breakdown and scouting of opponent offenses and working with the offensive scout team during practice. Shingler not only worked with recruiting but also was responsible for film exchange.

Prior to his year at MTSU, Shingler served as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy from 2000-2005. He spent his first three years as an Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer on

the USS Vincennes then the last two as a Reactor Controls Division Officer serving on the USS Enterprise. Shingler took classes on Nuclear Power Training and Nuclear Power Training Command.

Shingler walked-on and played football at the University of Notre Dame. He transitioned from quarterback to fullback to tight end during his five years. He was part of the Fighting Irish's 1996 Orange Bowl, 1997 Independence Bowl and 1999 Gator Bowl teams.

A native of Hobart, Indiana, he graduated from Notre Dame in 2000 with a bachelor's degree in chemistry and is currently pursuing his master's degree.



John Shingler

Former Brave Marquis Grissom hits retirement

The Associated Press

MESA, Ariz. — Marquis Grissom, a non-roster invitee to spring training with the Chicago Cubs, announced his retirement Tuesday after a 17-year major league career.

Grissom was a member of the 1995 World Series champion Atlanta Braves, and caught a fly ball hit by the Cleveland Indians' Carlos Baerga to end the series.

The 38-year-old Grissom signed a minor league contract in January and had hoped to make the team as a backup outfielder. But he batted just .200 in 17 spring training games.

Grissom leaves as one of seven players with 2,000 hits, 200 home runs and 400 stolen bases, joining Craig Biggio, Roberto Alomar, Barry Bonds, Rickey Henderson, Paul Molitor and

Joe Morgan.

He finished with 429 stolen bases, including a career-high 78 in 1992. He was a two-time All-Star and four-time Gold Glove winner during a career that saw him play in the majors with six teams.

Grissom batted .272 with 386 doubles, 56 triples, 227 homers and 967 RBIs, and he compiled .988 fielding percentage in 2,165 major league games. He also batted .317 in 52 postseason appearances with 20 RBIs. Has the MVP of the 1997 AL championship series in his only season with the Cleveland Indians.

Grissom broke in with Montreal in 1989. Besides the Expos, Indians and Braves, he played for the Milwaukee Brewers, the Los Angeles Dodgers and the San Francisco Giants.

DNA test results await athletes, rape victim

By Emery P. Dalesio
Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — Amid days of campus protests, Duke University officials and police awaited DNA test results on 46 members of the school's highly ranked lacrosse team Tuesday after an exotic dancer claimed she was raped by some of the players.

The case has roiled the campus, raised racial tensions and heightened antagonism between the affluent students at Duke and the city of Durham, which has a large population of poor people and is about evenly divided between white and black.

The rape was reported two weeks ago. A woman told police she and another dancer were hired to perform at a March 13 private party at a home just off campus. The dancer told police she was pulled into a bathroom, beaten, choked and raped by three men.

No one has been charged.

Armed with a judge's order, police took DNA samples with a cheek swab from 46 of the lacrosse team's 47 players last week. The 47th player, the only black member of the team, did not have to provide DNA because the dancer said her attackers were white.

District Attorney Mike Nifong said the team members are standing together and refusing to talk with investigators, and he warned he may bring aiding-and-abetting charges against some of the players.

The alleged victim is black, which has proved a source of tension on campus.

Angry over the team members' silence and the university's handling of the case, Durham residents have demonstrated on and off campus in the past few days.

The university's athletic director forced the team to forfeit two games because of underage drinking and the hiring of dancers at the party. The losses gave Duke, considered a national title contender before the season began, a 6-4 record with five regular-season games to go.

Tips for a successful interview

Ace your next job interview using these simple guidelines

By Angela Mettler

Knight Ridder Newspapers

A job interview can be a nerve-racking experience,—trying to say and do the right things and to look as good as your resume to impress a prospective employer can be tricky. But being prepared and confident can ease your fears and help you land the perfect job.

Dan Thielsen, manager of the Career Planning Center in Aberdeen, S.D., suggests the following tips for acing your next job interview:

Start by finding some background information about the company and the job, once the interview is scheduled. That can help you know what to expect and make your interest obvious to the employer.

At the interview, the most important aspect is the first impression.

"If you give a bad first impression, you'll never get over it," Thielsen said.

Don't bring friends or children to the interview. Arrive 10 to 15 minutes early to make sure you're in the right place and to make last-minute adjustments to your appearance if needed.

Dress as you expect your interviewer to be dressed. Don't wear too much jewelry, it can be distracting. For men, facial hair should be neatly trimmed.

Don't chew gum, smoke or use



Special Photo

Interviewing for jobs isn't that bad. Use each interview as a learning experience—there's always next time to impress the interviewer.



Special Photo

An interview may seem somewhat intimidating at first, but it doesn't have to be. Most people go through numerous interviews throughout their lives, so you might as well start right away. Remember, this is your chance to sell 'you.'

slang.

A positive, friendly attitude will help you present yourself in a favorable light. A smile, eye contact and a firm handshake are important non-verbal communicators.

"Only 7 percent of what we say is actually words," said Thielsen. "Fifty-five percent is nonverbal body language, and 38 percent is in the tone of your voice."

When meeting the interviewer, make sure to give him or her enough personal space.

"Keep yourself at an arm-length distance, don't get too close," Thielsen said.

Make sure to get the correct pronunciation and spelling of the interviewer's name. Not only is it common courtesy, it will also be useful when writing a thank-you note after the interview.

It never hurts to establish rapport with the interviewer. Scan the room you're being interviewed in—the Vikings coffee mug or pictures of pets can give you fodder for small talk.

During the interview, if you don't understand a question, ask the interviewer to restate it. Take a few seconds to think through what you are going to say. Answer each ques-

tion completely, yet briefly; most answers should take no more than 30 to 40 seconds.

Don't be afraid to sell yourself. Be honest and optimistic, and show a willingness to learn and grow within the position for which you've applied.

Posture is also important to your confidence, sit up straight and be aware of nervous mannerisms, such as cracking your knuckles. Women wearing skirts or dresses should cross their legs at the ankles instead of at the knees.

Asking questions of the interviewer is a necessity to help you decide if you will accept the position, should it be offered to you. Benefits, retirement and work schedule are appropriate topics to cover. Asking about money usually isn't a good idea.

"Never talk money unless the employer brings it up, or if they offer you the job," Thielsen said. "And never say no to an offer. Give yourself at least 24 hours to decide."

At the end of the interview, thank the interviewer for his or her time. Be sure to send a thank-you note, by mail or e-mail, within a few days. You can include another copy of your resume with the note.

LET US INTRODUCE...

Bree Massi, big city girl in a small town

Name: Bree Massi, 22, Senior
Hometown: East Meadow, NY
Major: German Education

Why did you choose GSU? To experience somewhere different than a big city.

What does Statesboro need the most? More places for college students to spend time other than drinking.

When you aren't in class, how do you pass the time? Working, working out, hanging out and doing homework.



Bree Massi

Where do you see yourself in five years? Teaching German, married and living in a big city.

What's the biggest cheap thrill in the area? Splash in the 'Boro.

What's the best meal in Statesboro? El Sombrero.

What is the one thing every student needs to know about GSU or college? Just because you can stay out till five in the morning without getting in trouble, you probably shouldn't.

Southern Anacronists swordplay on campus



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

Members of Southern Anacronists sword fight in front of Lakeside. Fiora Angeline, Rick Ferrell, Carl Fryday and Eric Whitaker engage in rapier combat as a recruiting technique on campus. "Basically it's a medieval reenactment," said Whitaker. "We do anything pertaining to the Middle Ages, from cooking the food and wearing the clothes to sewing and weaving."

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Police disperse protesters with water cannons on Republic Square during a protest against the first job contract law, known as CPE, on Tuesday, March 28, in Paris.

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French take to streets protesting labor law

By John Leicester
Associated Press

PARIS - More than 1 million people poured into the streets across France and strikers disrupted air, rail and bus travel Tuesday, even shutting down the Eiffel Tower in the largest nationwide protest over a youth labor law.

Scattered violence erupted in Paris, and riot police used water cannons and tear gas to disperse several thousand youths who pelted them with stones and bottles after an otherwise peaceful march. More than 240 people were arrested.

Unions and the leftist opposition

joined in solidarity with the angry students for the one-day strike, increasing the pressure on Prime Minister Dominique de Villepin to withdraw the measure that makes it easier to fire young workers.

Although Villepin held firm, cracks opened in his conservative government. Interior Minister Nicolas Sarkozy, in a clear break with Villepin, suggested suspending the law to allow for negotiations.

With the government in crisis, President Jacques Chirac canceled a trip planned for later in the week to stay in Paris.

Police and organizers' estimates

for the number of marchers varied greatly, but both showed that the protest movement is growing in strength.

Police said 1,055,000 people took part in more than 250 protests nationwide, including 92,000 in Paris. The organizers' total was closer to 3 million, with 700,000 at the march from the Left Bank to the heavily policed Place de Republique.

Elsewhere, 31,000 marched in the southwestern city of Bordeaux, 28,000 in the southern port of Marseille, 26,000 in the Alpine city of Grenoble, 17,000 in Lyon and hundreds of thousands in dozens of other cities and towns, according to police.

Riot police, under orders to arrest as many troublemakers as possible, moved aggressively in Paris to prevent a repeat of the intense violence of past demonstrations.

Marchers ranged across all age groups, from students with "Non" painted on their faces, to older union militants. Many said they wanted to defend the status quo.

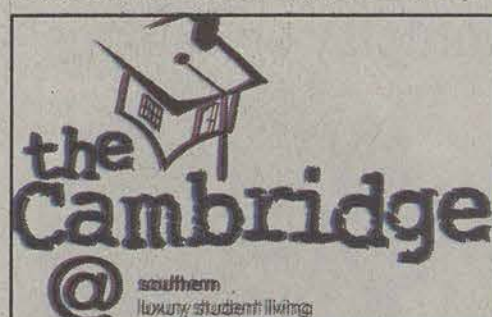
"Young people are sacrificed in the name of the economy, and we are here to fight against it," said Maxime Ourly, 18, a literature student at the Paris march. "We don't know what will happen in the future, and we want to control our futures."

Students and labor unions say the labor law will erode France's cherished workplace protections. Set to take effect next month, it would let companies fire employees under 26 without reason in the first two years on the job.

The nationwide strike, the first time that unions had ordered walk-outs in solidarity with students spearheading the protests, slowed train, plane, subway and bus services to a fraction of their normal levels.

The Eiffel Tower was closed, its employees said. Some elementary and high schools also were shut as teachers walked off the job.

National newspapers were not on sale at newsstands, and radio and television broadcasts were limited.



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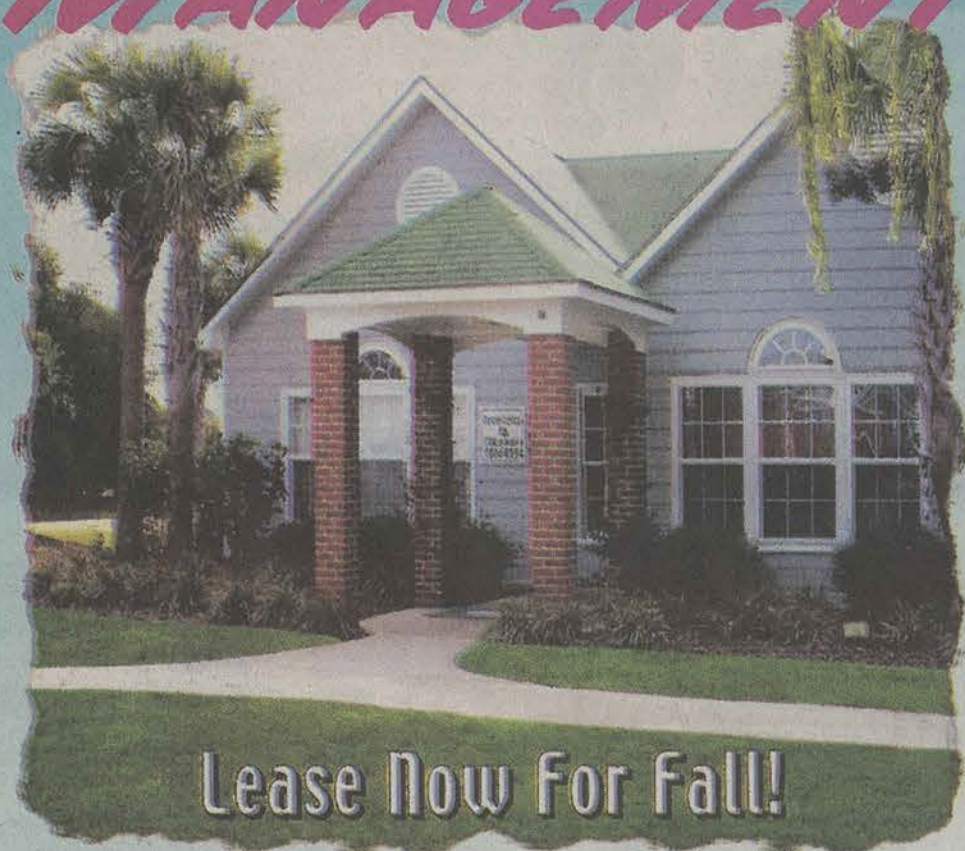


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